

**Proposed Substitute  
Bill No. 1064**

LCO No. 6046

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. Section 21a-408 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2       following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3       As used in [sections 21a-408] this section, sections 21a-408a to 21a-  
4       408o, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 10 to 14, inclusive,  
5       of this act, unless the context otherwise requires:

6       (1) "Cultivation" includes planting, propagating, cultivating,  
7       growing and harvesting;

8       (2) "Debilitating medical condition" means (A) cancer, glaucoma,  
9       positive status for human immunodeficiency virus or acquired  
10      immune deficiency syndrome, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis,  
11      damage to the nervous tissue of the spinal cord with objective  
12      neurological indication of intractable spasticity, epilepsy, cachexia,  
13      wasting syndrome, Crohn's disease, posttraumatic stress disorder, or  
14      (B) any medical condition, medical treatment or disease approved by  
15      the Department of Consumer Protection pursuant to regulations  
16      adopted under section 21a-408m;

17      (3) "Institutional animal care and use committee" means a

18 committee that oversees an organization's animal program, facilities  
19 and procedures to ensure compliance with federal policies, guidelines  
20 and principles related to the care and use of animals in research;

21 (4) "Institutional review board" means a specifically constituted  
22 review body established or designated by an organization to protect  
23 the rights and welfare of persons recruited to participate in biomedical,  
24 behavioral or social science research;

25 (5) "Laboratory" means a laboratory located in this state that is  
26 licensed to provide analysis of controlled substances pursuant to  
27 section 21a-246;

28 (6) "Laboratory employee" means a person licensed as a laboratory  
29 employee pursuant to section 10 of this act;

30 ~~[(3)]~~ (7) "Licensed dispensary" or "dispensary" means a person  
31 licensed as a dispensary pursuant to section 21a-408h;

32 ~~[(4)]~~ (8) "Licensed producer" or "producer" means a person licensed  
33 as a producer pursuant to section 21a-408i;

34 ~~[(5)]~~ (9) "Marijuana" means marijuana, as defined in section 21a-240;

35 (10) "Nurse" means a person who is licensed under chapter 378;

36 ~~[(6)]~~ (11) "Palliative use" means the acquisition, distribution,  
37 transfer, possession, use or transportation of marijuana or  
38 paraphernalia relating to marijuana, including the transfer of  
39 marijuana and paraphernalia relating to marijuana from the patient's  
40 primary caregiver to the qualifying patient, to alleviate a qualifying  
41 patient's symptoms of a debilitating medical condition or the effects of  
42 such symptoms, but does not include any such use of marijuana by  
43 any person other than the qualifying patient;

44 ~~[(7)]~~ (12) "Paraphernalia" means drug paraphernalia, as defined in  
45 section 21a-240;

46 ~~[(8)]~~ (13) "Physician" means a person who is licensed under chapter

47 370, but does not include a physician assistant, as defined in section 20-  
48 12a;

49 [(9)] (14) "Primary caregiver" means a person, other than the  
50 qualifying patient and the qualifying patient's physician, who is  
51 eighteen years of age or older and has agreed to undertake  
52 responsibility for managing the well-being of the qualifying patient  
53 with respect to the palliative use of marijuana, provided (A) in the case  
54 of a qualifying patient under eighteen years of age or otherwise  
55 lacking legal capacity, such person shall be a parent, guardian or  
56 person having legal custody of such qualifying patient, and (B) in the  
57 case of a qualifying patient eighteen years of age or older lacking legal  
58 capacity, the need for such person shall be evaluated by the qualifying  
59 patient's physician and such need shall be documented in the written  
60 certification;

61 [(10)] (15) "Qualifying patient" means a person who: [is eighteen  
62 years of age or older, is] (A) Is a resident of Connecticut, [and] (B) has  
63 been diagnosed by a physician as having a debilitating medical  
64 condition, and (C) (i) is eighteen years of age or older, or (ii) has  
65 written consent from a custodial parent, guardian or other person  
66 having legal custody of the qualifying patient that indicates that the  
67 qualifying patient has permission from such parent, guardian or other  
68 person for the palliative use of marijuana for a debilitating medical  
69 condition other than posttraumatic stress disorder and that such  
70 parent, guardian or other person shall serve as a primary caregiver for  
71 the qualifying patient and controls the acquisition and possession of  
72 marijuana for palliative use and any related paraphernalia on behalf of  
73 the qualifying patient. "Qualifying patient" does not include an inmate  
74 confined in a correctional institution or facility under the supervision  
75 of the Department of Correction;

76 (16) "Research program" means a study approved by the  
77 Department of Consumer Protection in accordance with this chapter  
78 and undertaken to increase information or knowledge with regard to  
79 the growth, processing, medical attributes, dosage forms,

80 administration or use of marijuana to treat or alleviate symptoms of  
81 any medical condition or the effects of such symptoms;

82 (17) "Research program employee" means a person licensed as a  
83 research program employee pursuant to section 12 of this act;

84 (18) "Research program subject" means a person registered as a  
85 research program subject pursuant to section 14 of this act;

86 [(11)] (19) "Usable marijuana" means the dried leaves and flowers of  
87 the marijuana plant, and any mixtures or preparations of such leaves  
88 and flowers, that are appropriate for the palliative use of marijuana,  
89 but does not include the seeds, stalks and roots of the marijuana plant;  
90 and

91 [(12)] (20) "Written certification" means a written certification issued  
92 by a physician pursuant to section 21a-408c, as amended by this act.

93 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 21a-408a of the general statutes is  
94 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
95 *passage*):

96 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section do not apply to:

97 (1) Any palliative use of marijuana that endangers the health or  
98 well-being of a person other than the qualifying patient or the primary  
99 caregiver; or

100 (2) The ingestion of marijuana (A) in a motor bus or a school bus or  
101 in any other moving vehicle, (B) in the workplace, (C) on any school  
102 grounds or any public or private school, dormitory, college or  
103 university property, unless such college or university is participating  
104 in a research program and such use is pursuant to the terms of the  
105 research program, (D) in any public place, or (E) in the presence of a  
106 person under the age of eighteen, unless such person is a qualifying  
107 patient or research program subject. For the purposes of this  
108 subdivision, (i) "presence" means within the direct line of sight of the  
109 palliative use of marijuana or exposure to second-hand marijuana

110 smoke, or both; (ii) "public place" means any area that is used or held  
111 out for use by the public whether owned or operated by public or  
112 private interests; (iii) "vehicle" means a vehicle, as defined in section  
113 14-1; (iv) "motor bus" means a motor bus, as defined in section 14-1;  
114 and (v) "school bus" means a school bus, as defined in section 14-1.

115 Sec. 3. Section 21a-408c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
116 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

117 (a) A physician may issue a written certification to a qualifying  
118 patient that authorizes the palliative use of marijuana by the qualifying  
119 patient. Such written certification shall be in the form prescribed by the  
120 Department of Consumer Protection and shall include a statement  
121 signed and dated by the qualifying patient's physician stating that, in  
122 such physician's professional opinion, the qualifying patient has a  
123 debilitating medical condition and the potential benefits of the  
124 palliative use of marijuana would likely outweigh the health risks of  
125 such use to the qualifying patient.

126 (b) Any written certification for the palliative use of marijuana  
127 issued by a physician under subsection (a) of this section shall be valid  
128 for a period not to exceed one year from the date such written  
129 certification is signed and dated by the physician. Not later than ten  
130 calendar days after the expiration of such period, or at any time before  
131 the expiration of such period should the qualifying patient no longer  
132 wish to possess marijuana for palliative use, the qualifying patient or  
133 the primary caregiver shall destroy all usable marijuana possessed by  
134 the qualifying patient and the primary caregiver for palliative use.

135 (c) A physician shall not be subject to arrest or prosecution,  
136 penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to  
137 any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not  
138 limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action by the Connecticut  
139 Medical Examining Board or other professional licensing board, for  
140 providing a written certification for the palliative use of marijuana  
141 under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 21a-408a if:

142 (1) The physician has diagnosed the qualifying patient as having a  
143 debilitating medical condition;

144 (2) The physician has explained the potential risks and benefits of  
145 the palliative use of marijuana to the qualifying patient and, if the  
146 qualifying patient lacks legal capacity, to a parent, guardian or person  
147 having legal custody of the qualifying patient;

148 (3) The written certification issued by the physician is based upon  
149 the physician's professional opinion after having completed a  
150 medically reasonable assessment of the qualifying patient's medical  
151 history and current medical condition made in the course of a bona  
152 fide physician-patient relationship; and

153 (4) The physician has no financial interest in a dispensary licensed  
154 under section 21a-408h or a producer licensed under section 21a-408i.

155 (d) A nurse shall not be subject to arrest or prosecution, penalized in  
156 any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to any civil  
157 penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not limited to,  
158 being subject to any disciplinary action by the Board of Examiners for  
159 Nursing or other professional licensing board, for administering  
160 marijuana to a qualifying patient or research program subject in a  
161 hospital or health care facility licensed by the Department of Public  
162 Health.

163 Sec. 4. Section 21a-408d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
164 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

165 (a) Each qualifying patient who is issued a written certification for  
166 the palliative use of marijuana under subdivision (1) of subsection (a)  
167 of section 21a-408a, and the primary caregiver of such qualifying  
168 patient, shall register with the Department of Consumer Protection.  
169 Such registration shall be effective from the date the Department of  
170 Consumer Protection issues a certificate of registration until the  
171 expiration of the written certification issued by the physician. The  
172 qualifying patient and the primary caregiver shall provide sufficient

173 identifying information, as determined by the department, to establish  
174 the personal identity of the qualifying patient and the primary  
175 caregiver. If the qualifying patient is under eighteen years of age, the  
176 custodial parent, guardian or other person having legal custody of the  
177 qualifying patient shall also provide a letter from both the qualifying  
178 patient's pediatrician and a physician who is board certified in an area  
179 of medicine involved in the treatment of the debilitating condition for  
180 which the qualifying patient was certified, confirming that the  
181 palliative use of marijuana is in the qualifying patient's best interest.  
182 The qualifying patient or the primary caregiver shall report any  
183 change in [such] the identifying information to the department not  
184 later than five business days after such change. The department shall  
185 issue a registration certificate to the qualifying patient and to the  
186 primary caregiver and may charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed  
187 twenty-five dollars, for each registration certificate issued under this  
188 subsection. Any registration fees collected by the department under  
189 this subsection shall be paid to the State Treasurer and credited to the  
190 account established pursuant to section 21a-408q, as amended by this  
191 act.

192 (b) Information obtained under this section shall be confidential and  
193 shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information  
194 Act, as defined in section 1-200, except that reasonable access to  
195 registry information obtained under this section and temporary  
196 registration information obtained under section 21a-408n shall be  
197 provided to: (1) State agencies, federal agencies and local law  
198 enforcement agencies for the purpose of investigating or prosecuting a  
199 violation of law; (2) physicians and pharmacists for the purpose of  
200 providing patient care and drug therapy management and monitoring  
201 controlled substances obtained by the qualifying patient; (3) public or  
202 private entities for research or educational purposes, provided no  
203 individually identifiable health information may be disclosed; (4) a  
204 licensed dispensary for the purpose of complying with sections 21a-  
205 408 to 21a-408n, inclusive, as amended by this act; (5) a qualifying  
206 patient, but only with respect to information related to such qualifying  
207 patient or such qualifying patient's primary caregiver; or (6) a primary

208 caregiver, but only with respect to information related to such primary  
209 caregiver's qualifying patient.

210 Sec. 5. Section 21a-408h of the general statutes is amended by  
211 adding subsection (d) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

212 (NEW) (d) On or before January 1, 2016, and annually thereafter,  
213 each licensed dispensary shall report data to the Department of  
214 Consumer Protection relating to the types, mixtures and dosages of  
215 palliative marijuana dispensed by such dispensary. A report prepared  
216 pursuant to this section shall be in such form as may be prescribed by  
217 the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.

218 Sec. 6. Section 21a-408j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
219 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

220 (a) No licensed dispensary or employee of the dispensary may: (1)  
221 Acquire marijuana from a person other than a licensed producer; (2)  
222 distribute or dispense marijuana to a person who is not (A) a  
223 qualifying patient registered under section 21a-408d, as amended by  
224 this act, or 21a-408n; [ or] (B) a primary caregiver of such qualifying  
225 patient; (C) a hospice or other inpatient care facility licensed by the  
226 Department of Public Health pursuant to chapter 368v that has a  
227 protocol for the handling and distribution of marijuana that has been  
228 approved by the Department of Consumer Protection; (D) a laboratory;  
229 or (E) an organization engaged in a research program; or (3) obtain or  
230 transport marijuana outside of this state in violation of state or federal  
231 law.

232 (b) No licensed dispensary or employee of the dispensary acting  
233 within the scope of his or her employment shall be subject to arrest or  
234 prosecution, penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to,  
235 being subject to any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege,  
236 including, but not limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action  
237 by a professional licensing board, for acquiring, possessing,  
238 distributing or dispensing marijuana pursuant to sections 21a-408 to  
239 21a-408n, as amended by this act, inclusive.

240 Sec. 7. Section 21a-408k of the general statutes is repealed and the  
241 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

242 (a) No licensed producer or employee of the producer may: (1) Sell,  
243 deliver, transport or distribute marijuana to a person who is not (A) a  
244 licensed dispensary, (B) a laboratory, or (C) an organization engaged in  
245 a research program, or (2) obtain or transport marijuana outside of this  
246 state in violation of state or federal law.

247 (b) No licensed producer or employee of the producer acting within  
248 the scope of his or her employment shall be subject to arrest or  
249 prosecution, penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to,  
250 being subject to any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege,  
251 including, but not limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action  
252 by a professional licensing board, for cultivating marijuana or selling,  
253 delivering, transporting or distributing marijuana to licensed  
254 dispensaries under sections 21a-408 to 21a-408n, inclusive, as amended  
255 by this act.

256 Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 21a-408l of the general statutes is  
257 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
258 *passage*):

259 (a) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall establish a  
260 Board of Physicians consisting of eight physicians or surgeons who are  
261 knowledgeable about the palliative use of marijuana. [and certified by  
262 the appropriate American board in one of the following specialties:  
263 Neurology, pain medicine, pain management, medical oncology,  
264 psychiatry, infectious disease, family medicine or gynecology.] Four of  
265 the members of the board first appointed shall serve for a term of three  
266 years and four of the members of the board first appointed shall serve  
267 for a term of four years. Thereafter, members of the board shall serve  
268 for a term of four years and shall be eligible for reappointment. Any  
269 member of the board may serve until a successor is appointed. The  
270 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall serve as an ex-officio  
271 member of the board, and shall select a chairperson from among the  
272 members of the board.

273       Sec. 9. Section 21a-408q of the general statutes is repealed and the  
274 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

275       There is established a palliative marijuana administration account  
276 which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General  
277 Fund. The account shall contain any fees collected pursuant to  
278 subsection (a) of section 21a-408d, as amended by this act, any fees  
279 collected pursuant to sections 21a-408h and 21a-408i, any fees collected  
280 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 21a-408m, and any other moneys  
281 required by law to be deposited in the account, and shall be held in  
282 trust separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts.  
283 Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall  
284 be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding.  
285 Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the  
286 account. Amounts in the account shall be expended only for the  
287 purpose of providing funds to the Department of Consumer Protection  
288 for administering the provisions of [sections 21a-408 to 21a-408o,  
289 inclusive] this chapter.

290       Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Except as provided in  
291 subsection (b) of this section, no person may act as a laboratory  
292 employee or represent that such person is a licensed laboratory  
293 employee unless such person has obtained a license from the  
294 Commissioner of Consumer Protection pursuant to this section.

295       (b) Prior to the effective date of regulations adopted under this  
296 section, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue a  
297 temporary certificate of registration to a laboratory employee. The  
298 commissioner shall prescribe the standards, procedures and fees for  
299 obtaining a temporary certificate of registration as a laboratory  
300 employee.

301       (c) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt  
302 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to (1)  
303 provide for the licensure of laboratories and laboratory employees; (2)  
304 establish standards and procedures for the revocation, suspension,  
305 summary suspension and nonrenewal of laboratory and laboratory

306 employee licenses, provided such standards and procedures are  
307 consistent with the provisions of subsection (c) of section 4-182 of the  
308 general statutes; (3) establish a license and renewal fee for each  
309 licensed laboratory and licensed laboratory employee, provided the  
310 aggregate amount of such license and renewal fees shall not be less  
311 than the amount necessary to cover the direct and indirect cost of  
312 licensing and regulating laboratories and laboratory employees in  
313 accordance with the provisions of chapter 420f of the general statutes;  
314 and (4) establish other licensing, renewal and operational standards  
315 deemed necessary by the commissioner.

316 (d) Any fees collected by the Department of Consumer Protection  
317 under this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer and credited to  
318 the account established pursuant to section 21a-408q of the general  
319 statutes, as amended by this act.

320 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) No laboratory employee  
321 may: (1) Acquire marijuana from a person other than a licensed  
322 producer, licensed dispensary or organization engaged in a research  
323 program; (2) deliver, transport or distribute marijuana to: (A) A person  
324 who is not a licensed dispensary; (B) a person who is not a licensed  
325 producer; or (C) an organization not engaged in a research program; or  
326 (3) obtain or transport marijuana outside of this state in violation of  
327 state or federal law.

328 (b) No laboratory or laboratory employee acting within the scope of  
329 his or her employment shall be subject to arrest or prosecution,  
330 penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to  
331 any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not  
332 limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action by a professional  
333 licensing board, for acquiring, possessing, delivering, transporting or  
334 distributing marijuana to a licensed dispensary, a licensed producer or  
335 an organization engaged in an approved research program under the  
336 provisions of chapter 420f of the general statutes.

337 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of  
338 Consumer Protection may approve a research program if such research

339 program (1) is to be administered or overseen by (A) a hospital or  
340 health care facility licensed by the Connecticut Department of Public  
341 Health pursuant to chapter 368v of the general statutes, (B) an  
342 institution of higher education, as defined in section 10a-55 of the  
343 general statutes, (C) a licensed producer, or (D) a licensed dispensary,  
344 and (2) will have institutional review board oversight and, if the  
345 research program involves the use of animals, will have an  
346 institutional animal care and use committee.

347 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, no person  
348 may act as a research program employee or represent that such person  
349 is a licensed research program employee unless such person has  
350 obtained a license from the Commissioner of Consumer Protection  
351 pursuant to this section.

352 (c) Prior to the effective date of regulations adopted under this  
353 section, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue a  
354 temporary certificate of registration to a research program employee.  
355 The commissioner shall prescribe the standards, procedures and fees  
356 for obtaining a temporary certificate of registration as a research  
357 program employee.

358 (d) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt  
359 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to (1)  
360 provide for the approval of research programs and licensure of  
361 research program employees, (2) establish standards and procedures  
362 for the termination or suspension of a research program, (3) establish  
363 standards and procedures for the revocation, suspension, summary  
364 suspension and nonrenewal of a research program employee license,  
365 provided such standards and procedures are consistent with the  
366 provisions of subsection (c) of section 4-182 of the general statutes, (4)  
367 establish a (A) fee for research program review and approval, and (B)  
368 license and renewal fee for each research program employee, provided  
369 the aggregate amount of such fees shall not be less than the amount  
370 necessary to cover the direct and indirect cost of approving research  
371 programs and licensing and regulating research program employees

372 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 420 of the general statutes, and  
373 (5) establish other licensing, renewal and operational standards  
374 deemed necessary by the commissioner.

375 (e) Any fees collected by the Department of Consumer Protection  
376 under this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer and credited to  
377 the account established pursuant to section 21a-408q of the general  
378 statutes, as amended by this act.

379 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) No research program or  
380 research program employee may: (1) Acquire marijuana from a person  
381 other than a licensed producer, licensed dispensary or laboratory; or  
382 (2) deliver, transport or distribute marijuana to a person who is not:  
383 (A) A licensed dispensary; (B) a licensed producer; or (C) a research  
384 program subject; (3) distribute or administer marijuana to an animal  
385 unless such animal is an animal research subject; or (4) obtain or  
386 transport marijuana outside of this state in violation of state or federal  
387 law.

388 (b) No research program employee acting within the scope of his or  
389 her employment shall be subject to arrest or prosecution, penalized in  
390 any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to any civil  
391 penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not limited to,  
392 being subject to any disciplinary action by a professional licensing  
393 board, for acquiring, possessing, delivering, transporting or  
394 distributing marijuana to a licensed dispensary, a licensed producer or  
395 a research program subject or distributing or administering marijuana  
396 to an animal research subject under the provisions of chapter 420f of  
397 the general statutes.

398 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Any person seeking to  
399 participate as a research program subject shall register with the  
400 Department of Consumer Protection prior to participating in an  
401 approved research program. The Commissioner of Consumer  
402 Protection shall prescribe the standards and procedures for obtaining a  
403 certificate of registration as a research program subject.

404 (b) A research program subject who has a valid registration  
405 certificate from the Department of Consumer Protection and is acting  
406 within the scope of his or her involvement in an approved research  
407 program shall not be subject to arrest or prosecution, penalized in any  
408 manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to any civil penalty  
409 or denied any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, being  
410 subject to any disciplinary action by a professional licensing board, for  
411 the use of marijuana.

412 (c) The provisions of subsection (b) of this section do not apply to:

413 (1) Any use of marijuana that endangers the health or well-being of  
414 a person other than the research program subject or a research  
415 program employee; or

416 (2) The ingestion of marijuana (A) in a motor bus or a school bus or  
417 in any other moving vehicle, (B) in the workplace, (C) on any school  
418 grounds or any public or private school, dormitory, college or  
419 university property unless such the college or university is  
420 participating in a research program and such use is pursuant to the  
421 terms of the research program, (D) in any public place, or (E) in the  
422 presence of a person under eighteen years of age unless such person is  
423 a qualifying patient or research program subject. For purposes of this  
424 subdivision, (i) "presence" means within the direct line of sight of the  
425 palliative use of marijuana or exposure to second-hand marijuana  
426 smoke, or both; (ii) "public place" means any area that is used or held  
427 out for use by the public whether owned or operated by public or  
428 private interests; (iii) "vehicle" means a vehicle, as defined in section  
429 14-1 of the general statutes; (iv) "motor bus" means a motor bus, as  
430 defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes; and (v) "school bus"  
431 means a school bus, as defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes.

432 (d) Information obtained under this section shall be confidential and  
433 shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information  
434 Act, as defined in section 1-200 of the general statutes, except that  
435 reasonable access to registry information obtained under this section  
436 shall be provided to: (1) State agencies, federal agencies and local law

437 enforcement agencies for the purpose of investigating or prosecuting a  
438 violation of law; (2) physicians and pharmacists for the purpose of  
439 providing patient care and drug therapy management and monitoring  
440 controlled substances obtained by the research program subject; (3)  
441 public or private entities for research or educational purposes,  
442 provided no individually identifiable health information may be  
443 disclosed; (4) a licensed dispensary for the purpose of complying with  
444 sections 21a-408 to 21a-408n, inclusive, of the general statutes, as  
445 amended by this act; or (5) a research program subject, but only with  
446 respect to information related to such research program subject.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408a(b)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408c
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408d
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408h
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408j
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408k
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408l(a)
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	21a-408q
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	New section